

# Become an ACF Grant Reviewer

**Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF):** administers the major federal programs that promote the positive growth and development of children and youth and their families; protective services and shelter for children and youth in at-risk situations; and adoption for children with special needs. These programs provide financial assistance to states, community-based organizations, and academic institutions to provide services, carry out research and demonstration activities and undertake training, technical assistance, and information dissemination. Link: <https://www.acfgo.com/public/sitePage.aspx?key=Home>



Here are  
descriptions of  
key ACF  
programs  
and web links  
for reviewer  
registration.

**Administration for Native Americans (ANA):** promotes the goal of self-sufficiency and cultural preservation for Native Americans by providing social and economic development opportunities through financial assistance, training, and technical assistance. ANA provides funding for community-based projects that are designed to improve the lives of Native children and families and reduce long-term dependency on public assistance. ANA also provides funding to assess, plan, develop and implement projects to ensure the survival and continuing vitality of native languages as well as funding to address the growing awareness of environmental issues on Indian lands. Link: [www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/peer\\_panel/reviewers.html#sub1](http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/peer_panel/reviewers.html#sub1)

**Office of Community Services (OCS):** works in partnership with states, communities, and other agencies to provide a range of human and economic development services and activities. The aim of these services and activities is to increase the capacity of individuals and families to become self-sufficient, to revitalize communities, and to build the stability and capacity of children, youth and families so that they become able to create their own opportunities. Link: <https://rrm.grantsolutions.gov/ocs/index.htm>

**Office of Head Start (OHS):** administers the federal Head Start program that promotes the school readiness of children ages birth to 5 from low-income families by enhancing their cognitive, social and emotional development. Head Start programs provide comprehensive services to enrolled children and their families, which include health, nutrition, social services and other services determined to be necessary by family needs assessments, in addition to education and cognitive development services. Over a million children are served by Head Start programs every year, including children in every U.S. state and territory and in American Indian and Alaskan Native communities. Link: <https://www.acfgo.com/public/sitePage.aspx?key=home>

**Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR):** provides benefits and services to refugees and other vulnerable populations – including asylees, Cuban/Haitian entrants, unaccompanied refugee minors, victims of torture, unaccompanied alien children, and victims of human trafficking – to become self-sufficient and integrated members of American society through grants and services, administered by states and non-profit organizations. For more information, contact [orreviewers@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:orreviewers@acf.hhs.gov).



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